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Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC. Project No. 2322-054

Project No. 2325-077

Merimil Limited Partnership Project No. 2574-069

Project No. 2574-075

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF LICENSES TO INCORPORATE INTERIM FISH PASSAGE PLAN AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE AND PROTESTS

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Application Type: Amendment of Licenses
- b. Project Nos: 2322-054, 2325-077, and 2574-069, 2574-075
- c. Date Filed: February 21, 2013 and March 29, 2013
- d. Applicant: Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC and Merimil Limited Partnership
- e. Name of Projects: Shawmut, Weston, and Lockwood Projects
- f. Location: The Shawmut, Weston, and Lockwood Projects are located on the Kennebec River at river miles 66, 82 and 63, respectively, in Kennebec and Somerset counties, Maine
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a 825r
- h. Applicant Contact: Kevin Bernier, 26 Katherine Dr. Hallowell, ME 04347, (207) 723-4341;
- i. FERC Contact: Mr. Mark Pawlowski (202) 502-6052, mark.pawlowski@ferc.gov

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: **September 26, 2015.** 

All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp</a>. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and seven copies should be mailed to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp</a>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments.

Please include the project numbers (P-2322, P-2325, and P-2574, as needed) on any comments, motions, or recommendations filed.

- k. Description of Request: Brookfield White Pine Hydro LLC, licensee for the Shawmut (P-2322) and Weston Projects (P-2325), and Merimil Limited Partnership, licensee for the Lockwood Project (P-2574), request Commission approval to amend the licenses for these projects to incorporate the provisions of an Interim Species Protection Plan (ISPP) for Atlantic salmon. Under the proposed ISPP, the licensees would identify and conduct studies of existing upstream and downstream fish passage facilities used for Atlantic salmon with the goal of identifying potential enhancement measures to improve fish passage facilities at the above projects. In addition, the proposed ISPP includes an addendum with handling procedures to protect Atlantic and shortnose sturgeon at the Lockwood Project (P-2325).
- l. Locations of the Application: A copy of each application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling 202-502-8371. These filings may also be viewed on the Commission's website at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp</a> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 866-208-3676 or e-mail <a href="mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>, for TTY, call 202-502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

- n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.
- o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTESTS", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

DATED: August 27, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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